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For: CONVEYING SYSTEM WITH A SLIDE-OVER DEVICE BETWEEN TWO BELT
CONVEYORS, SLIDE-OVER DEVICE AND INTERMEDIATE ELEMENT WITH
A SLIDE-OVER SURFACE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The above-identified patent application is being filed as a national stage application under 35 U.S.C. §371, concurrently with this Preliminary Amendment. Applicants respectfully request entry of an amendment of the claims as set forth in this Preliminary Amendment, prior to calculation of the filing fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this Preliminary Amendment.